

(Washington, D.C.) Congressman Tim Ryan (OH-17) released the following response to those groups and companies opposing a Buy American provision in the Economic Stimulus bill which would require iron and steel used for infrastructure projects to be domestically manufactured.

“It’s truly disturbing to see such opposition to the Buy American provision from large multinational companies and their lobbyists. These same companies stand to reap millions of dollars in tax breaks and government spending from the stimulus bill, yet they apparently don’t believe that American iron and steel workers should receive similar benefits from the bill,” said Congressman Tim Ryan. “The whole point of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act is to get Americans working again. That these companies would oppose buying American iron and steel shows just how far removed they are from the country that gave them their start. I don’t care how many flags they wave in their commercials, or how many racing teams they sponsor; if they want to see America and American manufacturing succeed, then they should support Buy American.”